

**Pay deduction.** be enforced in the same manner as if the annuitant had not been reemployed or continued: *And provided further*, That during such reemployment or continuation there shall be deducted and withheld from the salary, pay, or compensation of such employee at each pay period a proportionate amount of the annual difference between the life annuity to which the employee would have been entitled and the reduced annuity elected by the employee. The amounts so deducted and withheld shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of civil service retirement and disability fund."

**Effective date.** SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall be effective as of January 1, 1940.

Approved December 19, 1944.

## [CHAPTER 607]

## AN ACT

December 19, 1944  
[S. 209]  
[Public Law 502]

Authorizing the conveyance of certain property to the State of North Dakota.

North Dakota.  
Conveyance.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Act of June 25, 1938 (52 Stat. 1173), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Reservation.

"That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to grant and convey to the State of North Dakota, for military and defense purposes, fee-simple title to all or any part of the lands and improvements comprising the Bismarck Indian School Plant. In any such grant, there shall be reserved to the United States the right to construct and operate over the property granted canals, ditches, transmission lines, and facilities incidental thereto that may be constructed in connection with Federal projects for the irrigation of land."

Approved December 19, 1944.

## [CHAPTER 608]

## AN ACT

December 19, 1944  
[S. 963]  
[Public Law 503]

Relating to the imposition of certain penalties and the payment of detention expenses incident to the bringing of certain aliens into the United States.

Immigration.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 15 of the Immigration Act of February 5, 1917 (39 Stat. 885; 8 U. S. C. 151), is hereby amended by changing the period after the word "hereof", as it appears in the next to the last sentence of the said section, to a colon, and adding the following: "*Provided further*, That in cases of aliens who arrive in possession of unexpired visas issued by United States consuls within sixty days of the aliens' foreign embarkation, detention expenses and expenses incident to detention shall not be assessed against the vessel if the sole cause of exclusion is one arising under section 13 (a) (1) or (3) of the Immigration Act of 1924 (43 Stat. 161-162; 50 Stat. 165; 46 Stat. 581; 8 U. S. C. 213 (a)-213 (f))."

Detention expenses.

Deportation of  
aliens.

Detention expenses.

SEC. 2. Section 18 of the Immigration Act of February 5, 1917, as amended (39 Stat. 887-889; 45 Stat. 1551; 8 U. S. C. 154), is amended by changing the period after the last word in the second sentence thereof to a comma and adding the following: "except that detention expenses and expenses incident to detention, shall not be assessed against the owner or owners of the vessels on which they respectively came when the aliens are in possession of unexpired visas issued by United States consuls within sixty days of the aliens' foreign embarkation if the sole cause of exclusion is one arising under section 13 (a) (1) or (3) of the Immigration Act of 1924 (43 Stat. 161-162; 50 Stat. 165; 46 Stat. 581; 8 U. S. C. 213 (a)-213 (f))."

After the word "land" as it appears in the third sentence of this section, which reads: "or to fail to pay the cost of their maintenance while on land", add the following: "as required by this section or section 15 of this Act."

SEC. 3. Subsection (b) of section 16 of the Immigration Act of 1924 (43 Stat. 163; 8 U. S. C. 216 (b)), is hereby amended by substituting a colon for the period after the word "assessed" and inserting the following: "Provided, That no fine nor refund, as provided for in this subsection, nor any expense incident to detention in connection with an application for admission to the United States, shall be assessed or required for bringing into the United States any alien, if such alien holds an unexpired visa issued by a United States consul within sixty days of the alien's foreign embarkation."

SEC. 4. Subsection (a) of section 20 of the Immigration Act of 1924 (43 Stat. 164; 8 U. S. C. 167 (a)), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "The Attorney General may, upon application in writing therefor, mitigate such penalty to not less than \$200 for each seaman in respect of whom such failure occurs, upon such terms as the Attorney General in his discretion shall think proper. This section, as amended, shall apply to all penalties arising subsequent to June 5, 1940."

Approved December 19, 1944.

39 Stat. 885.  
8 U. S. C. § 151.  
Ante, p. 816.  
Illegal transportation, penalty.

Alien holding unexpired visa.

Failure to detain alien seaman.

Mitigation of penalty.

#### [CHAPTER 609]

##### AN ACT

To suspend the effectiveness during the existing national emergency of the tariff duty on coconuts.

December 20, 1944  
[H. R. 1033]  
[Public Law 504]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That no duty shall be levied, collected, or payable under the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, with respect to coconuts or coconut meat provided for in paragraph 758 of that Act, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, during the period beginning with the day following the date of enactment of this Act and ending with the termination of the unlimited national emergency proclaimed by the President on May 27, 1941.

Approved December 20, 1944.

Coconuts and coconut meat.  
Suspension of tariff duty.

46 Stat. 636.  
19 U. S. C. § 1001, par. 758.

#### [CHAPTER 610]

##### AN ACT

To amend the laws of the District of Columbia relating to exemption of property from judicial process, the assignment of salary or wages, and the advance payment of salary or wages for the purpose of preventing attachment or garnishment.

December 20, 1944  
[H. R. 2116]  
[Public Law 505]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 1105 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a code of law for the District of Columbia", approved March 3, 1901, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 1105. (a) The following property, being the property of the head of a family or householder residing in the District of Columbia, or of a person who earns the major portion of his livelihood in the District of Columbia, being the head of a family or householder, regardless of his place of residence, shall be free and exempt from distraint, attachment, levy, or seizure and sale on execution or decree of any court in the District of Columbia.

District of Columbia Code, amendments.  
31 Stat. 1362.  
D. C. Code § 15-401.

Exemptions of property from judicial process.  
Head of family or householder.